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SUBJECT: REPORT ON COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN TREATY

REF: CANBERRA 3432

1. DEPT IS POUCHING TO EMBASSY COPY OF REPORT ON COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN TREATY (CTBT), RESEARCH PAPER PREPARED BY OFFICE OF SENATOR PHILIP HART FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE MILITARY SPENDING, ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS FOR PEACE THROUGH LAW (MCPL) (CONGRESSMAN LES ASPIN, CHRMN, AND SENATOR EDWARD BROOKE, VICE- CHRMN).

2. ALSO POUCHING COPY OF PRESS RELEASE ISSUED JUNE 18 BY MCPL ENTITLED QUOTE CONGRESSMEN RECOMMEND FULL BAN ON NUCLEAR TESTING UNQUOTE. RELEASE STATES THAT BIPARTISAN GROUP OF 53 CONGRESSMEN HAVE ENDORSED 27- PAGE HART STUDY. RELEASE SUMMARIZES RECOMMENDATIONS STUDY:

A. CESSATION OF US UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR TESTING FOR SO LONG AS USSR REFRAINS FROM SUCH TESTS.

B. COMMENCEMENT OF NEGOTIATIONS ON CTBT.

C. INCLUSION IN A CTBT OF AN ' ESCAPE CLAUSE' PERMITTING WITHDRAWAL OF SIGNATORIES IF THEY FIND
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THEIR VITAL NATIONAL INTERESTS IN JEOPARDY.

D. PROVISION FOR ON- SITE INSPECTION ONLY IF IT IS
DETERMINED THAT THERE IS SUFFICIENT JUSTIFICATION FOR
NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS EXCLUSIVELY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES. RUSH

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